

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEVADA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

MARIO CASTRO,

Defendant.

Case No.: 2:19-cr-00295-GMN-NJK

ORDER

[Docket No. 354]

Pending before the Court is Defendant Mario Castro's supplement to motion to appoint co-counsel. Docket No. 354. The Court denied Defendant's original motion on May 4, 2022. Docket No. 350. Therefore, the Court construes the instant filing as a renewed motion to appoint co-counsel.

Defendant is one of six co-defendants charged in an indictment with various mail fraud-related charges. Docket No. 1. Trial is currently set for September 26, 2022. Docket No. 325. Defendant, who is currently represented by court-appointed attorney Richard E. Tanasi, asks the Court to appoint Joshua Tomsheck as co-counsel. Docket No. 354. Defendant submits that the instant case is extremely difficult because it is complex as it relates to years of potential conduct and involves a substantial amount of discovery, and submits that co-counsel is required in the interest of justice. *Id.* at 2. *See also* Docket No. 346 at 2. Defendant further submits that the CJA Standing Committee has approved the request for co-counsel in the instant case, making the necessary determinations under the CJA plan, and that the CJA Resource Counsel has recommended the appointment of co-counsel. Docket No. 354 at 2.

For good cause shown, the motion is **GRANTED**. Docket No. 354. The Court appoints Joshua Tomsheck as co-counsel for Defendant Castro. As required by by Volume 7, Ch. 2 § 230.53.20 of the Guide to Judiciary Policy, the Court finds that the appointment of co-counsel in this difficult case is necessary and in the interest of justice. Mr. Tomsheck will be compensated

1 at the maximum hourly rate established by the Judicial Conference of the United States, Guide to
2 Judiciary Policy, Volume 7A, § 230.16.

3 IT IS SO ORDERED.

4 DATED: May 27, 2022.

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8 NANCY J. KOPPE
9 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE
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